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Drug Analysis Laboratory Monthly Status Report

April, 2011

Amherst and Jamaica Plain (combined)

Cases* submitted to the laboratories this month.....	879
Number of items* contained in these cases.....	1593
Cases analyzed by the laboratories this month.....	937
Number of items analyzed this month.....	1730
Laboratories' backlog (Items).....	2802
Average time per analysis (turnaround time).....	49 days
Number of preliminary/priority analyses performed	141

Analysis Backlog

Unanalyzed items in the laboratory on the last day of the month

1-15 days old	478	17%
16-30 days old	956	34%
31-50 days old	756	27%
Greater than 50 days	612	22%
TOTAL	2802	100%

* A CASE refers to all the evidence gathered from an incident or arrest that is related to one or more defendants. Each case may contain one or more ITEMS of different appearance and/or composition, e.g. marijuana, cocaine, heroin.

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Analysis Profile

Time in the laboratory for items analyzed this month

1-15 days	95	5%
16-30 days	464	27%
31-50 days	219	13%
Greater than 50 days	952	55%
TOTAL	1730	100%

Totals for Drugs of Interest

Drug Type	Number of Items
Marijuana	355
Cocaine	335
Heroin	185
Others	855
TOTAL	1730

Trafficking Items Analyzed

Drug Type	Number of Items
Heroin	4
Cocaine	12
Oxycodone	7
TOTAL	23

Calendar Year (2011) Totals through the End of the Month

Items Submitted	6886
Items Analyzed	8073